

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Takeshi NAMIKATA ) : Examiner: Yixing Qin  
Application No.: 10/648,316 ) : Group Art Unit: 2625  
Filed: August 27, 2003 ) : Confirmation No.: 8282  
For: IMAGE PROCESSING SYSTEM ) :  
AND CONTROL METHOD ) :  
THEREFOR ) : September 12, 2007

Commissioner for Patents  
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed, together with a full English translation of the '471 document and an English Abstract for the '242 document.

The cited documents may be pertinent because they were cited in an Office Action dated June 15, 2007 in a counterpart Japanese application. A copy of the Office Action is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

Each item of information in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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